

### **Software: Data reduction**

# X-rays

- IDL based.
- Laboratory and synchrotron data
- http://www.pa.msu.edu/cmp/billingegroup/programs/PDFgetX2/



### **Neutrons**

- GLASS package / Perl/TK frontend
- Automatic data reduction on NPDF
- http://pdfgetn.sourceforge.net/







# Data modeling 'PDFFIT' style

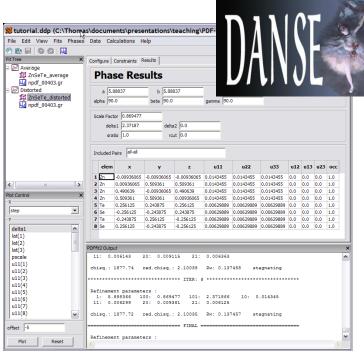




### **Software: Data modeling**

# **PDFgui**

- Part of DANSE project.
- http://www.diffpy.org/



- Calculation and refinement of small model system (< 1000 atoms)</li>
- 'Rietveld' type parameters: lattice parameters, atomic positions, displacement parameters, ..
- New possibilities: Refinements as function of r range!
- Automatic refinement of multiple datasets as function of T or x.
- Intuitive GUI.
- Engine pdffit2 can also be used in command mode.

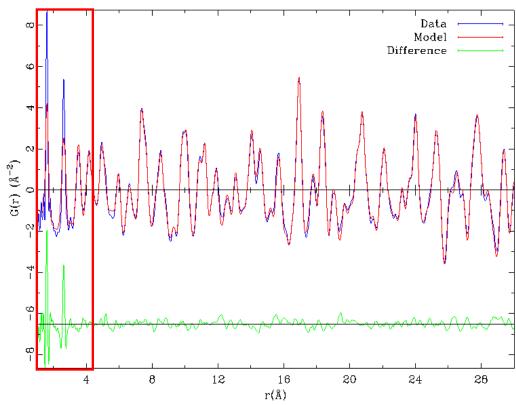




### PDFfit: Refinement of a small structural model

- "Real space Rietveld"
- Refinement of structural parameters: lattice parameters, atom positions, occupancies, adp's, ...
- Small models (<200 atoms).</li>
- Corrections for Q<sub>max</sub>, instrument resolution, correlated motion.
- Software: PDFfit, PDFfit2 and PDFGui.



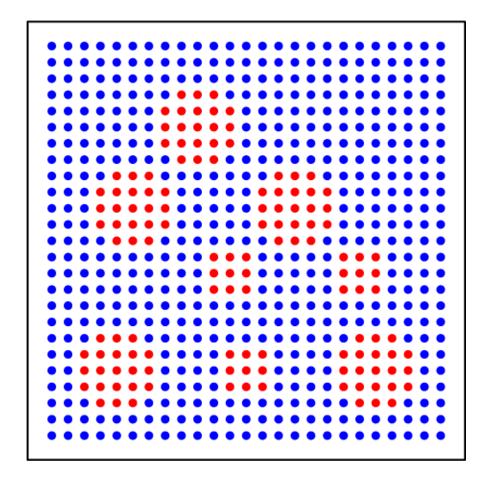


K.L. Page, Th. Proffen, S.E. McLain, T.W. Darling and J.A. TenCate, Local Atomic Structure of Fontainebleau Sandstone: Evidence for an Amorphous Phase?, *Geophys. Res. Lett.* 31, L24606 (2004).





### Refinement range – length scales in structure



- Simulated structure of 20x20x20 unit cells.
- Matrix (M): blue atoms
- Domains (D): red atoms, spherical shape, d=15Å.
- Simulated using DISCUS.

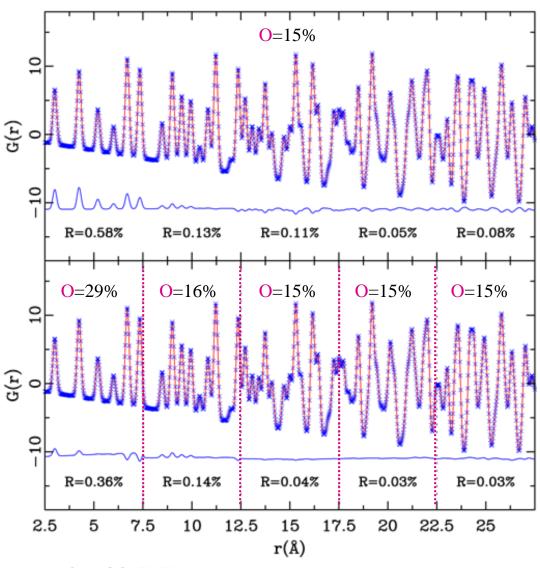
Th. Proffen and K.L. Page, **Obtaining Structural Information from the Atomic Pair Distribution Function**, *Z. Krist.* **219**, 130-135 (2004).





## Refinement range – length scales in structure

- Top: Single-phase model with blue/red fractional occupancies (O).
- Bottom: Refinement of same model for 5Å wide sections.
- Extensions:
  - Multi phase models
  - Modeling of boundary
  - R-dependent refinable mixing parameters

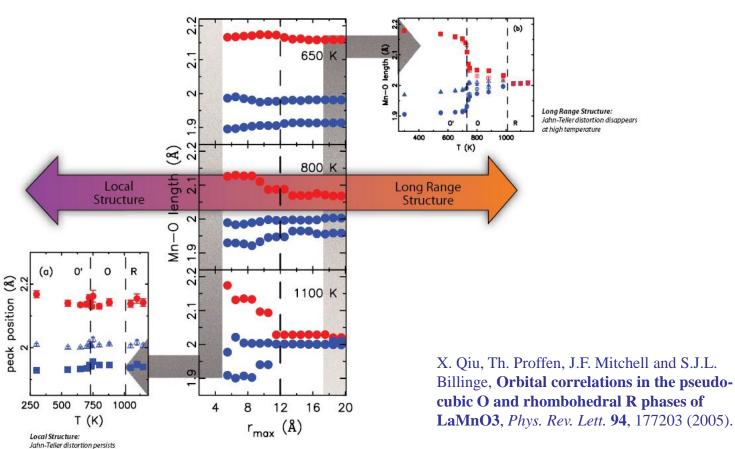




# Refinement range – the mystery of LaMnO<sub>3</sub>

#### **DISTORTED OR NOT DISTORTED?**

Study of the Jahn-Teller distortion in LaMnO<sub>3</sub>





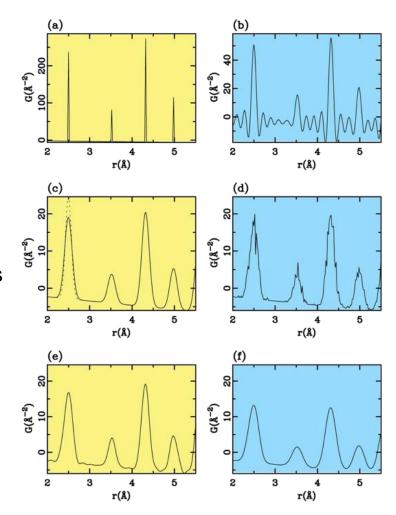


## Calculating a PDF ...

Calculating a PDF from a structural model:

$$G(r) = \sum_{ij} \left[ \frac{b_i b_j}{\langle b \rangle^2} \delta(r - r_{ij}) \right] - 4\pi r \rho_0$$

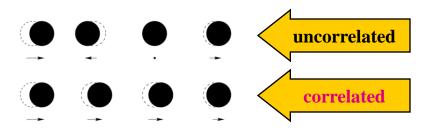
- Thermal motion
  - Small crystal  $\Rightarrow$  convolution of  $\delta(r-r_{ij})$  with distribution function (*PDFFIT*)
  - Large crystal ⇒ actual displacements
    & ensemble average (DISCUS)
- Termination ripples
  - Multiplication with step function in reciprocal space gives convolution with sin(Q<sub>max</sub>r)/r in real space.





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### PDF analysis: Analysis of individual peaks

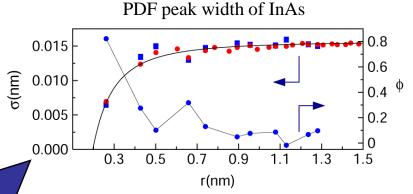


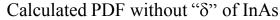
➤ Correlated motion results in sharpening of near neighbor PDF peaks.

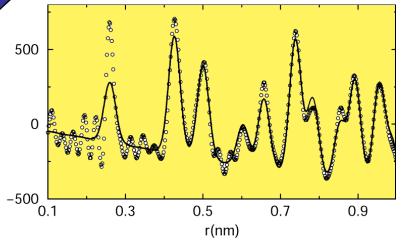
Empirical correction

$$\sigma_c = \sqrt{\sigma_0 - \delta/r^2 - \gamma/r}$$

> Future: Extraction of phonons ??







Jeong et al., J. Phys. Chem. A 103, 921 (1999)





 $G(nm^{-2})$ 

### **Calculating a PDF: PDFfit**

PDF calculated according to



 $G(r) = \sum_{ij} \left| \frac{b_i b_j}{\langle b \rangle^2} \delta(r - r_{ij}) \right| - 4\pi r \rho_0$ 

In more detail



$$G(r_k, s) = f_s B_k(s) \sum_{p=1}^P f_p G_p(r_k, s)$$

$$G_p(r_k, s) = \frac{1}{N_p r_k} \sum_i \sum_j \left[ A_{ij}(p) \cdot T_{ij}(r_k, p) \right]$$

$$-4\pi r_k \rho_0(p)$$

$$B_k(s) = \exp \left[ -\frac{(r_k \sigma_Q(s))^2}{2} \right]$$

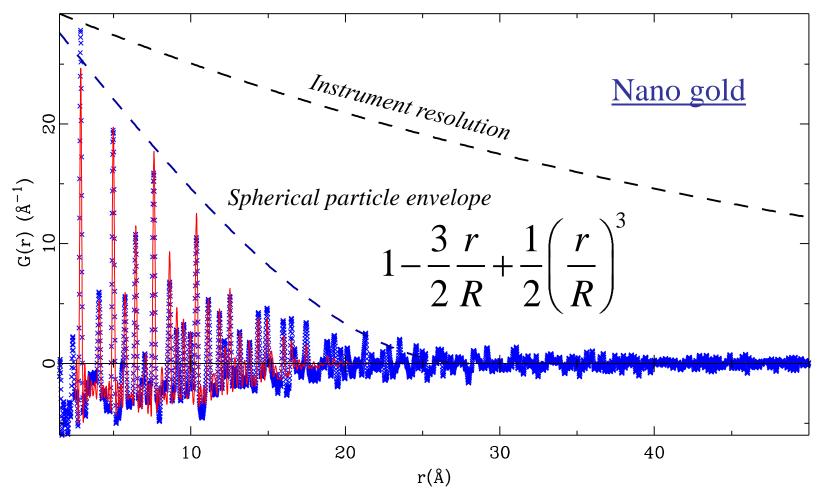
$$A_{ij}(p) = \frac{c_i(p)c_j(p)b_ib_j}{\langle b \rangle^2}$$

$$T_{ij}(r_k, p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_{ij}(p)} \exp\left[-\frac{(r_k - r_{ij}(p))^2}{2\sigma_{ij}^2(p)}\right]$$





### **Nanoparticles: Particle size**







# Data modeling 'DISCUS' style

(RMC and DIFFEV)



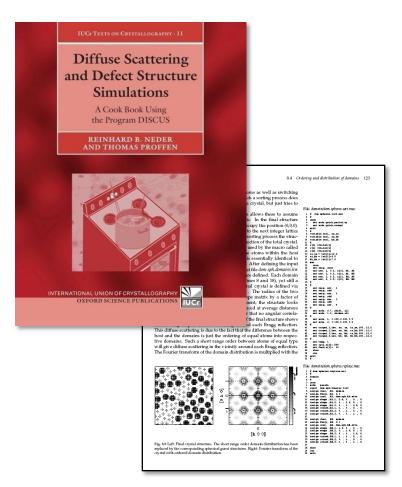


### **Software: Data modeling**

### **DISCUS**

- Disordered materials simulations
- Refinement via DIFFEV / RMC
- http://discus.sourceforge.net/





Oxford University Press, June 2008





### Diffuse package: DISCUS, PDFfit and DIFFEV

- **PDFfit** 
  - User defined relation between parameters and refinement variables.
    - Retired!! Multiple structural phases and data sets (neutron and X-ray) supported.
- DISCUS
  - Calculation of Fourier transform, inverse and difference Fourier.
  - Expand structure from asymmetric unit and space group symbol.
  - Structure "statistics": correlations, real space lots, ...
  - PDF calculations.
  - Monte Carlo simulations.
  - Reverse Monte Carlo simulations diffuse scattering & PDF.
  - Symmetry & unit cell transformations.
- DIFFEV: General minimization using evolutionary algorithms
- **KUPLOT**: General plotting program
- Common features
  - Command language including loops and IF statements.
  - Online help function
  - UNIX or Windows operating system.
  - Binary or source code distribution.
  - Written in FORTRAN-77 (and some C).

Th. Proffen and R.B. Neder, J. Appl. Cryst. 30, 171-175 (1997).

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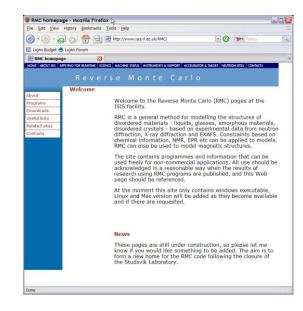
Link: <a href="http://discus.sourceforge.net">http://discus.sourceforge.net</a>



### Software: RMCprofile (Matt Tucker lecture)

### RMCprofile

- Atomic configurations ~600 to 20000+ atoms
- Fit both X-ray and neutron F(Q)
- Fit G(r)
- Fit Bragg profile (GSAS tof 1,2 & 3)
- Polyhedral restraints
- Coordination constraints
- Closest approach constraints
- Produce a static 3-D model of the structure (a snap-shot in time)
- Link: <a href="http://www.isis.rl.ac.uk/RMC">http://www.isis.rl.ac.uk/RMC</a>







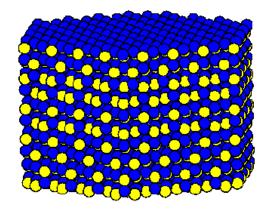
### **DIFFEV: Refining model parameters**

### PDFfit and RMC

- Refine structure directly in terms of atom coordinates etc..
- Difficult for complex systems

#### Alternative

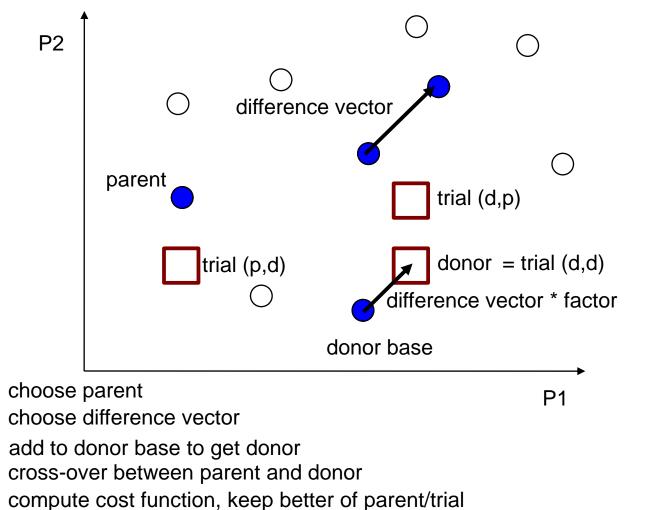
- Refine parameters of a structural model and not each atom.
- Example nanoparticle: diameter, atom spacing, stacking fault probability, ...
- Choose minimization here DIFFEV







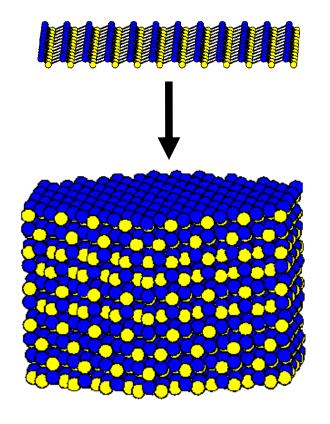
### **Differential Evolution**







### **Example: ZnSe nanoparticles - Model**



{110} and {001}

create a large single Wurtzite layer A/B

Stack along c (with faults)

Cut to proper size

Calculate PDF / powder pattern

Repeat and average

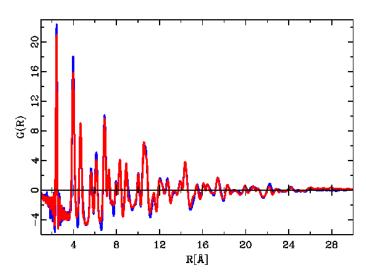
Repeat with new set of parameter using a Differential Evolutionary Scheme

Software: DISCUS and DIFFEV





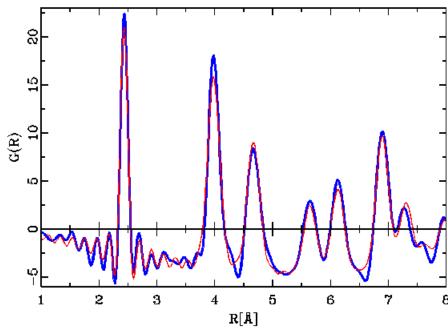
### **Example: ZnSe nanoparticles - Results**



- Results:
  - a=3.973Å, c=6.494Å
  - Diameter ~26Å
  - Stacking fault prob. 70%

C. Kumpf, R.B. Neder et al., **Structure determination of CdS and ZnS nanoparticles: Direct modeling of synchrotron-radiation diffraction data**, *J. Chem. Phys.* **123**, 224707 (2005).

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